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Fiscal Year 2017 Tax Collections Are Ahead of Last Year

TRENTON – The New Jersey Department of the Treasury announced today that revenues have grown, with year-to-date collections increasing 0.1 percent, or \$10.4 million, above last year to \$7.1 billion.

Gross Income Tax collections rose 1.1 percent for the year, to \$3.17 billion, up from \$3.14 billion during the previous fiscal year. In addition, Sales Tax revenue grew 1.1 percent for the month, continuing the turnaround that began in September.

Year-to-date growth in revenues is tracking with Treasury's expectations. Total tax collections fell 1.6 percent to \$2.03 billion for the month of October due largely to higher than expected taxpayer refunds, which are now being processed at an expedited rate compared to previous years. For the month, refunds sent to taxpayers reached \$151 million compared to \$78 million in October 2015. While expedited refund processing is restraining revenue growth in the first part of the Fiscal Year, revenue collections will grow faster later in the year as the processing of refunds tapers off sooner than it otherwise would.

Realty Transfer fee collections are up 18.9 percent year-to-date, compared to projections of 6.9 percent, due to strong momentum in the New Jersey housing market.

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY MONTH AND YEAR-TO-DATE CASH COLLECTIONS Fiscal Year 2017 - OCTOBER 2016 versus 2015

(\$ Thousands)

ll 6A	\$ 7,096,841	Total Major Revenues	(1.6%)	\$ 2,027,359	\$ 2,060,324
1		Public Utility	•		
	6,420	Tobacco Products Wholesale Sales	7.9%	2,177	2,018
	82,287	Realty Transfer	19.4%	29,732	24,899
	15,864	Alcoholic Beverage Excise	(156.6%)	(94)	166
	31,672	Corp. Banks & Financial Institutions	121.1%	635	(3,008)
_	55,119	Petroleum Products Gross Receipts	(19.8%)	16,636	20,741
•		Cigarette (c)			
57	31,957	(24.2%) Insurance Premium	(24.2%)	4,411	5,819
77	70,277	Casino Revenue	(12.4%)	15,249	17,399
5	292,015	Transfer Inheritance	(23.4%)	56,757	74,131
73	5,873	451.7% Motor Vehicle Fees (b)	451.7%	32,404	5,873
8	141,406	(1.9%) Motor Fuels	(1.9%)	47,100	48,012
7	295,637	Lottery	(3.2%)	72,917	75,297
-	537,671	(29.8%) Corporation Business (a)	(29.8%)	46,565	66,334
9	2,389,370	1.1% Sales	1.1%	868,218	858,814
S	S 3,141,273	(3.4%) Gross Income Tax (a)	(3.4%)	834,652	863,829 \$
	2015		Change	2016	2015
BER	OCTOBER YTD		0%	BER	OCTOBER

- (a) October 2016 and October 2016 YTD include a reclassification from Corporation Business Tax to Gross Income Tax relating to partnership fees of \$13.8 million and \$70.6 million respectively. In prior years, this adjustment was made during the year-end closing process.
- (b) Pursuant to P.L. 03-13, \$201.5 million of FY 2017 Motor Vehicle Fee collections are dedicated to the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission.
- (c) Pursuant to P.L. 06-37, revenue collections of \$396.5 million from the eigarette and tobacco products wholesale sales tax are deposited Securitization Bonds. in the Health Care Subsidy Fund. Pursuant to P.L. 04-69 \$0.0325 per cigarette is dedicated to pay debt service on the Cigarette

^{*} Projected annual growth rate is the change from the FY 2016 certified revenues to the 2017 AA revenues.